

FISCAL NOTE
HB 139 - SB 274

February 5, 2007

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes the Department of Correction to issue identification cards to inmates when released from state custody. Cards would be valid for one year and would not be renewable.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Revenues - \$5,000 Recurring

**Increase State Expenditures – \$5,000 Recurring
\$90,000 One-Time**

Assumptions:

- The Department of Correction (DOC) would need \$90,000 to purchase on a one-time basis the necessary equipment and supplies to issue the identification cards.
- The fee for an identification card would be \$6.00 and would be paid by the inmate. The Commissioner has the authority to waive the fee for any inmate. DOC estimates that most inmates will be indigent and will not pay the fee, but that funds collected from inmates would be sufficient to pay for the recurring costs of routine supplies that are used to produce the identification cards.
- There are approximately 6,200 inmates released each year and DOC estimates 40% (2,480) of those inmates released will need an identification card. Approximately one-third (825) of the inmates needing an identification card will be able to pay the \$6.00 fee (825 x 6.00 = \$4,950.00).
- DOC would not require additional resources to promulgate rules and regulations.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James W. White, Executive Director